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Via Electronic Filing

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *Ex Parte* Notice – CG Docket No. 03-123

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On September 30, 2009, Mike Maddix, Director of Government and Regulatory Affairs of Sorenson Communications, Inc. (“Sorenson”), and the undersigned, counsel for Sorenson, met separately with Rick Kaplan, Acting Legal Advisor to Commissioner Clyburn; Jennifer Schneider, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Copps; and with Christi Shewman, Acting Legal Advisor to Commissioner Baker. In each meeting, we began by providing a brief explanation of how video relay service (“VRS”) works and the important role VRS plays in fulfilling the statutory mandate of functional equivalence. In addition, we touched on the importance of meeting Congress’s goal of ensuring that relay services are universally available to all deaf and hard of hearing individuals. We also provided an overview of Sorenson and the important role Sorenson has played in making VRS available to the Deaf community, including developing the first videophone designed to meet the specific needs of the deaf, and leading the effort to bring ten-digit numbers to VRS users. Finally, we urged the Commission to ensure stable and predictable funding for VRS and to have clear rules designed to ensure the integrity of the Interstate Telecommunications Relay Services Fund. During the meeting, we used the attached diagram to illustrate how VRS works.

This letter is being filed for inclusion in the public record of the above-referenced proceeding.

Sincerely,

/s/ Regina M. Keeney
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Attachment

cc: Rick Kaplan
Jennifer Schneider
Christi Shewman

Video Relay Service (VRS)

- VRS is a service that enables deaf users of American Sign Language (ASL) to use video equipment to conduct calls with family members, friends, or business associates through a sign language interpreter.

